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James H. Doolittle, Secretary of State, Hoover Jr. was raised in the White House. Doolittle was the idea of making Walter Bedell Smith, Hoover's predecessor at State, a presidential assistant in foreign policy matters. Hoover complained it would upset State's conduct of foreign affairs and Mr. Eisenhower then gave up the idea—though Smith, his old wartime Army chief of staff, had agreed to leave his lucrative private industry job to take the post.

Best bet now is that retiring Massachusetts Gov. Christian Herter will get a similar White House job after he leaves office the end of the year, unless Hoover again exercises a veto.